

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a headphone, accidental winding and retracting is prevented from occurring without requiring complicated operations. The headphone includes housings incorporating an electro-acoustic transducer element, an input cord, one end of which is connected to the electro-acoustic transducer element. A take-up mechanism is incorporated in the housings and energized to wind and retract the input cord into the housings. A ratchet interacts with the take-up mechanism to prevent the winding and retracting of the input cord by the take-up mechanism. A cancellation mechanism prevents the winding and retracting of the input cord by the ratchet. An ear-hook having an ear-hook arm hooks the housing on the arm and is energized toward the housings, wherein when the ear-hook arm is away from the housings so the prevention of the winding and retracting of the input cord by the ratchet is not cancelled.